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June's feeling more like August

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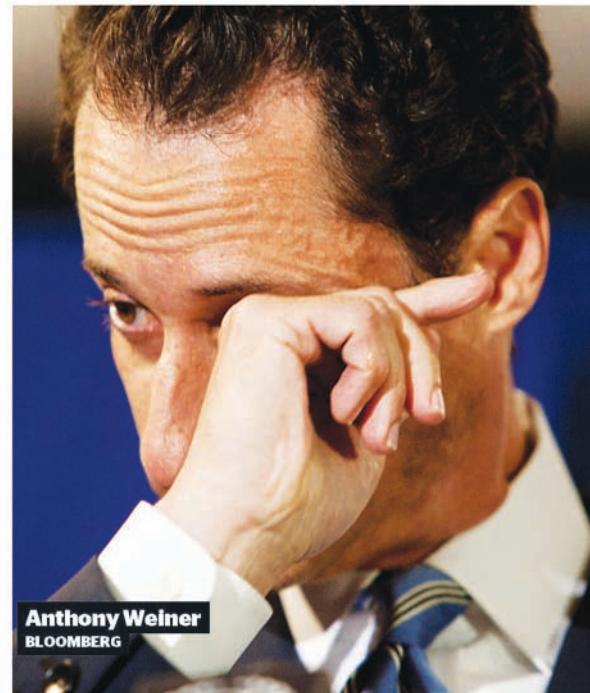
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WHAT A DILEMMA!



Anthony Weiner
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What would you do? That's what we want to know. Here is our dilemma of the week: This week, a tearful Rep. Anthony Weiner admitted to tweeting a lewd photo and then apologized for the pain he caused his wife. **We're wondering: What should his wife do now?** Text "weiner" followed by the number of your choice to 87708. We'll text you back letting you know how everyone voted.

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- 2 For better or for worse, right? Fight for the marriage.
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TODAY'S FORECAST

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EA UPDATE

Game maker Electronic Arts made several announcements Tuesday at the E3 trade show in L.A. The rundown:

» The company pre-viewed "Need for Speed: The Run," a racing game similar to Take-Two Interactive Software Inc.'s "Grand Theft Auto" series. "The Run," the latest title in the 17-year-old racing franchise, goes on sale Nov. 15 and lets players race against each other online. It is the first to offer play outside of vehicles, allowing mobsters and police to chase main characters, said Jason DeLong, an executive producer.

» The second-largest U.S. video-game publisher said it will put "Sims Social" on Facebook to challenge Zynga Inc. The company said it would debut "soon."

» Electronic Arts showed a movie trailer of "Star Wars: The Old Republic," a multiplayer online game that will challenge Activision Blizzard's "World of Warcraft."

» Electronic Arts has set a goal of generating more than \$1 billion in online revenue in the current fiscal year, joining China's Tencent Holdings and Activision Blizzard, based in Santa Monica, Calif., in reaching that figure.

» The company also set an Oct. 25 date for release of its "Battlefield 3" shooter game. Developed by a veteran team at DICE in Stockholm, the new game will challenge the best-selling "Call of Duty" franchise by hitting retail shelves two weeks before a new installment of that series arrives.

BLOOMBERG

Nintendo's new game console, the Wii U, was on display at the Nintendo booth during the Electronic Entertainment Expo on Tuesday. GETTY IMAGES



Los Angeles Times

Nintendo revealed its new home console Tuesday, dubbed the Wii U—a new high-definition video game system that will use a new touch-screen controller to play games both on and off the TV screen.

The Wii U's white, plastic controller is about the size of some tablet computers and features a 6.2-inch touch screen, as well as a standard array of gaming controller buttons. But a tablet the Wii U controller is not.

Images displayed on the Wii U's controller are all produced by the Wii U console itself and the screen is just that—another screen.

The display on the Wii U controller can work in a few ways: as a complement to a game on a TV, adding extra information or control options; as a mirrored screen, displaying the same images as what's on a TV; or as the only gaming screen, for



Reggie Fils-Aim, president of Nintendo of America, presents the new Wii U controller. REUTERS

when a friend may want to watch a TV but a Wii U user might want to keep playing a video game.

The screen's options will allow users to play at home without being tied to their TVs, but be-

cause the controller relies on the Wii U console for everything displayed on the screen, it isn't a true portable gaming system on its own.

The touch-screen also will be compatible with a stylus and feature two cameras, one front and one rear, that can be used for augmented reality games or to conduct a video chat session with friends who also own Wii U systems.

An accelerometer and a gyroscope are built into the new controller, so motion control (which is a trademark of the current Wii system) will play a role in the new device as well.

But the Wii U won't rely just on the touch-screen controller. The new system will be backward compatible with the current Wii's motion controllers and other accessories.

Nintendo says it will ship the Wii U sometime after April 1. The company did not offer a price for the new system.

Michael Pachter.

Activision is a slightly different story.

While Activision's stock is down 7 percent from the start of the year, it has jumped some 12 percent off its 2011 low.

The company's stock got a whopping 5 percent boost after the company unveiled a much-anticipated, subscription-based service tied to the company's "Call of Duty" series.

Both social and mobile gaming are broadly seen as a high-margin, growth segment for the industry.

Video game stocks: Winning!

CNN

Investors are betting on video game publishers—and winning big.

After two years of struggling for sales, companies such as Electronic Arts and Activision Blizzard are starting to make some headway by ramping up their digital side.

Electronic Arts' earnings more than tripled in

its most recent quarter, thanks to a 70 percent jump in digital-only sales.

And shares of EA, which publishes the popular "Madden" NFL sports games, have surged 11 percent from the start of the year. The stock now is trading at a five-year high.

"EA just recently has started doing things right," said Wedbush Morgan Securities analyst

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Now departing: Your life savings

I don't have a gambling addiction. More like a teeny, tiny predilection for lottery tickets, blackjack and betting on "American Idol" winners. I never win anything, but that's not the problem.

The problem is the proposed gambling expansion that would introduce a city-owned casino in Chicago and put video poker and slots at the airports, among other moves. Gov. Quinn's signature is all that's left between us and a decision that could ruin our lives.

The mayor wants it. The House and Senate want it. Who doesn't want it? Me.

The biggest problem is that state officials want to add gaming to Midway and O'Hare. Already marred by their notorious reputations, do Chicago's airports need any more bad press? Do we really want to hear the announcement over the intercom: "Southwest flight No. 371 to Los Angeles will be delayed because the pilot is on a winning streak?"

And what about passenger morale? Sure, I might be in a good mood if I rake in the big bucks, but what are my chances of that exactly? In a typical three-bar slot machine, you have a 1 in 262,144 chance of winning the jackpot. Which means your chances of not winning the jackpot are 262,143 in 262,144. It's not your lucky day. Ever.

Does any of this sound remotely fun? No.

Unless, of course, you're betting just one quarter. It's just 25 cents, practically nothing in the big scheme of life. What difference does a single, inconsequential quarter make?

Into the machine it goes, and suddenly you see it: three lemons all lined up—you've just won \$5—which, frankly, isn't too shabby. In fact, you've just made a 2,000 percent return on your initial investment. What's the harm in investing your winnings just little bit more? After all, you have half an hour before your flight departs.

So you pour all those quarters back into the machine. Click. So close. Two oranges and a strawberry. Next time, it's two oranges and a lemon. You will get three oranges this next time—it's inevitable. Instead, it's a lemon, a strawberry and a grape. This must be a fluke. The next time will be three oranges. Yes, definitely.

Click. Click. Click. Nada. There is something wrong with the machine; there has to be. You spot airport security a few meters away—yep, he'll help you out. As you walk toward him, another passenger inches her way toward your machine, your winning machine. You sprint back to the slot, nearly knocking her off her feet. No one is going to win those three oranges except you. You pull a wad of bills from your wallet, and they all slowly disappear into the machine.

Someone announces an additional delay on your flight. Maybe it is your lucky day, after all. **JEN KIM IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.**



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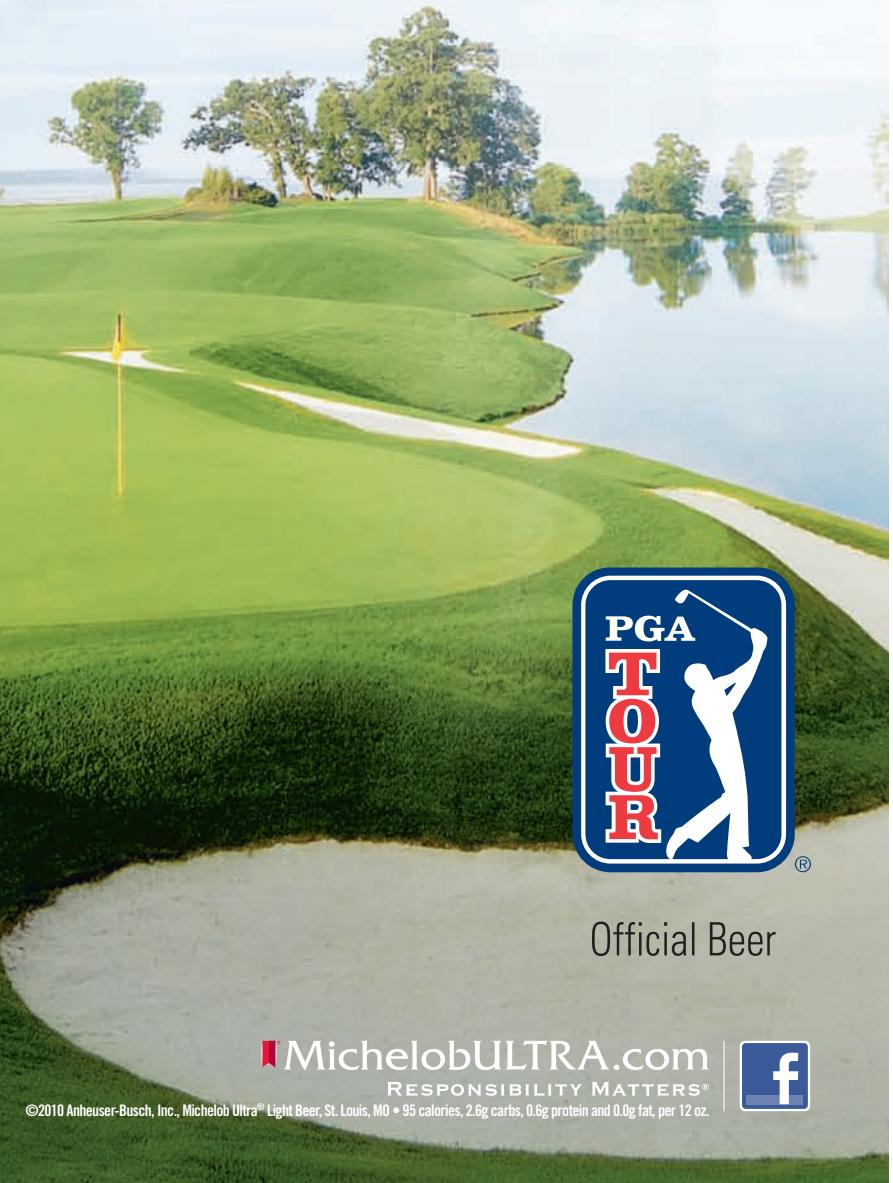
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WHAT A SCORCHER

HEAT WAVE APPROACHES RECORD SET IN 1933

Chicago Tribune

If you were outside Tuesday, it probably felt like a record-setting day. Though it came close, no record was broken.

The 96-degree high temperature was the second-hottest for a June 7 since 1933, officials said. But Wednesday may actually set a record for June 8.

The temperature at O'Hare hit 96 degrees at 3:52 p.m. Tuesday. Factoring in the heat index, which accounts for humidity, the mercury reached 97 degrees, said Ben Deubelbeiss, a National Weather Service meteorologist.

The record high June 7, 1933, was 100 degrees, Deubelbeiss said.

The last time Chicago's official temperature reached 97 degrees was Aug. 2, 2006—without factoring in the heat index.

Wednesday could be a record-setting day when the temperatures are expected to be similar to Tuesday's highs of 96 or 97 degrees. The record for June 8 is 97 degrees, which also happened during the hot spell of 1933. This week, the Chicago area is expected to see some of the hottest weather in nearly five years.

Heat advisories were posted Monday across southern Wisconsin, western Illinois and eastern Iowa. The National Weather Service also issued a hazardous weather outlook for most of northern Illinois and northwest Indiana.

The last time the area had a series of scorching days that made it to 90 degrees or above was from July 28-Aug. 2, 2006, Deubelbeiss said.

But the current hot streak is expected to end late Wednesday when temperatures will begin to fall dramatically with a cold front blowing in from the northwest.

FIRE AND ICE

Comparing blizzards and heat waves is sort of like comparing, well, blizzards and heat waves. It makes no sense. Of course, we'll still do it because it was only four months ago that we were wading through waist-deep snow to get to the train. Oh, the joys of Chicago living.

REDEYE

Beat the heat

No heat-related deaths were reported in the area Tuesday, officials said. Still, the prospect of a dangerously hot two days prompted city officials to call a news conference this week to advise on precautionary steps. Among them:

- » Drink plenty of water, at least eight glasses a day
- » Avoid going out in the hottest part of the day
- » Wear loose-fitting clothing
- » Check on elderly friends, relatives and neighbors.
- » City residents can call 311 to request well-being checks and rides to cooling centers.
- » Be aware of the dangers of heat exhaustion and heatstroke. Heat exhaustion is a milder form of heat-related illness that can develop after several days of exposure to high temperatures and inadequate or unbalanced replacement of fluids. Heatstroke is more serious, occurring when the body starts to lose its ability to regulate itself. Its signs are extremely high body temperature (103 or above), dizziness, nausea, a throbbing headache and rapid pulse, and red, hot, dry skin.

The temperatures for Thursday are expected to fall by about 20 degrees to the upper 60s and as high as 70 degrees, he said.



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WHEN

Heat wave: Tuesday's high temp was about 96 degrees, and the forecast for Wednesday is in the same ballpark. Relief is expected to arrive by Thursday.

Blizzard: Feb. 1-2, followed by nasty subzero temps.

HOW HISTORIC?

Heat wave: Tuesday's high was the second-hottest June 7 on record since 1933.

Blizzard: The 20.2 inches that fell at O'Hare made it the third-largest in Chicago history.

THE LAKE SHORE DRIVE SITUATION

Heat wave: Hundreds of motorists were trapped this week in traffic jams as Chicagoans seek relief on the beach.

Blizzard: Hundreds of motorists were rescued after blowing snow trapped them in their vehicles.



WEATHER EVENT NICKNAME

Heat wave: Nothing yet. And that's probably a good thing.
Blizzard: "Blizzard of 2011." A storm that memorable doesn't need a clever name.

HOW HOT IS IT?

Temperatures in the upper 90s might not have been what we hoped for when we dreamed of warmer temps throughout this dreary spring, but that's what we got Tuesday. We asked RedEye and Metromix readers on Twitter to use the #ItsSoHotThat hashtag to share their sweaty gripes.

@miss_smiley10: #ItsSoHotThat even the preacher outside of Old Navy went in for some cool air conditioning!

@ChrisMYoung: #ItsSoHotThat Blago's hot air coming from his mouth feels cool on the stand.

@312style: #ItsSoHotThat I *almost* forgot about Chicago's miserable May...

@Robotstephe: #ItsSoHotThat the City is keeping North Avenue Beach open. Gangs or not.

@ChicagoQuirk: #ItsSoHotThat Rahm Emanuel was caught splashing around in Buckingham Fountain.

@bexrunschicago: #ItsSoHotThat the puppy is playing dead - but I never taught him that.

@ChicagoBites: #ItsSoHotThat I may resort to salad until we get a 20 degree temp drop.

Hotter than Haiti

The current heat wave has brought sweltering temperatures to the Chicago area, with readings that surpass those in more traditional global hot spots.

WEDNESDAY'S FORECAST HIGH TEMPERATURES

As of 5 p.m. Tuesday



Port-au-Prince, Haiti: 93

Albuquerque, N.M.: 92



Miami: 88

Mexico City: 82

Nairobi, Kenya: 79

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Bicyclists approach the intersection of Milwaukee Avenue and Kinzie and Desplaines streets Tuesday. **JOSÉ M. OSORIO/TRIBUNE**



CYCLIST CRACKDOWN

COPS LAUNCH CAMPAIGN TO BRING RIDERS UP TO SPEED ON RULES OF ROAD

Chicago Tribune

For motorists who think bicyclists in Chicago have been granted unconditional rights to violate every traffic law on the books, authorities were out in force to suggest otherwise Tuesday.

The sting was conducted at only one intersection near downtown, and only for two hours. But the site that was chosen is a complex intersection that's a magnet for bicycling commuters, widespread disregard for red lights and plenty of accidents and close calls, officials said.

Some 240 warnings and one ticket were issued by the end of the morning rush traffic law enforcement and education operation aimed at bicyclists pedaling through red lights and taking over crosswalks meant for pedestrians only, officials said. It was carried out by the Chicago Police Department, the Chicago Department of Transportation and the Chicago Bicycling Ambassadors program in what officials

dubbed a "share the road" campaign.

"We want to let cyclists know that they are not only putting themselves at risk, but also endangering pedestrians in crosswalks and drivers who have to come to a screeching halt for bicyclists going through red lights," said Carlin Thomas, share the road coordinator for the CDOT bicycle program.

Across the city, an average of 1,300 crashes involving bicyclists occur each year, according to CDOT. Bicyclist fatalities are running about five a year, officials said. With the growing number of on-street cyclists, the death rate could climb if all road users do not help make the streets safer, they added.

Tuesday's blitz, at the busy and chaotic intersection of Milwaukee Avenue and Desplaines and Kinzie streets, may not have persuaded all the violators to change their ways.

"I know the police have a job to do. But

if obeying the law is going to cost me my life, I'm not going to do it," bicyclist Peter Walke said after being pulled over for riding in a pedestrian crosswalk and against a red light.

Walke told police officers that the crossing, used by hundreds of cyclists during rush hours, is extremely dangerous.

"I've been turned into [by drivers] a couple of times," Walke, 31, told the officers. "Cars will run into you. They don't like cyclists."

Walke agreed to follow the traffic rules in the future, and he was let go after he was given a verbal warning and a flyer on traffic safety.

Police and Bicycling Ambassadors officials said the enforcement operation went smoothly overall.

The ticket written for a red light violation was issued to a bicyclist who "didn't like us being out here," police Sgt. Patricia Maher said.

"Most everyone was been pretty nice," Maher said. "A lot of the bikers we stopped simply said they didn't know you cannot blow through a red light."

What do you think?

RedEye hit the streets to ask Chicagoans their thoughts on Tuesday's bicycle crackdown.

—JESSICA CILELLA, REDEYE



Ali-Musa Kaba
24, Lincoln Park

"I understand where they're coming from; they're trying to crack down on people potentially getting hurt. The thing is me, as a person, there's a great sense of thrill and enjoyment [in biking]. I like the speed, I'm not really afraid. I understand, I can be reckless, but it's like a sport for me."



Christopher Jenkins
30, Hyde Park

"They're trying to get everybody to follow the rules. Us bicyclists, we're not excluded, as much as a lot of us run the red lights and stuff. They just want

to make sure the safety of everyone is the top priority. They're just doing their job. I'm not mad at them."



Madeline Crawford
21, Rogers Park

"I have a lot of friends who are bikers and they all wear helmets and do all the safety precautions, but running a red light is dangerous on a car or a

bike. I think it's a good idea for [the police] to do that."



Jayme Christensen
23, Gold Coast

"They're vehicles. When you're in the street, yeah, you need to follow the laws. Bicyclists are less educated about their own traffic laws. In terms of

this area, right downtown, it's dangerous and you have to know what you're doing. Yeah, I would say definitely [give tickets]."



Tashari Porter
21, North Lawndale

"I don't think bikes should be treated like cars. I think the police treating bicyclists like drivers is just plain nuts. I think they should be educated, but just a warning should be fine. I think giving tickets is a little bit extreme."

Blago denies Jackson pick

Reuters

Prosecutors ended their cross examination of Rod Blagojevich on Tuesday by pressing the former governor to explain whether he was considering a deal worth \$1.5 million in campaign contributions in exchange for appointing U.S. Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr. to the Senate.

Blagojevich said he had no intention of appointing Jackson to the Senate seat vacated by President Obama.

He did concede that he met with Jackson the day before Blagojevich was arrested Dec. 9, 2008. And he did not deny that Jackson supporters had talked about raising campaign contributions for him.

"I was never going to pick him," Blagojevich said under questioning by Assistant U.S. Attorney Reid Schar.

Blagojevich is on trial for a second time, accused of trying to sell the Senate seat for money or a high-paying job, and for linking other state action with campaign contributions. A jury in August found him guilty of one count of lying to the FBI but could not reach a unanimous verdict on the other counts.

After a brief questioning by defense attorneys Blagojevich ended his testimony after seven days on the stand. U.S. District Judge James Zagel said he expected closing arguments to begin late Wednesday, and that jurors would begin deliberations late Thursday afternoon.

Blagojevich testified Tuesday that he needed help from Washington insiders, including Rahm Emanuel, now mayor, to help him persuade House Speaker Michael Madigan to support his legislative



Former Gov. Rod Blagojevich finished testifying in his own defense Tuesday.
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initiatives in exchange for giving the seat to Madigan's daughter, Attorney General Lisa Madigan. Floating Jackson's name was a "negative leverage" play because he knew Jackson was an unpopular choice in Washington.

But taped conversations of Blagojevich talking

with aides, including with his brother, Robert, acting as his chief fundraiser at that time, told a different story. Blagojevich sparred a bit as Schar methodically went through the calls, telling him in one instance: "With all due respect, Mr. Schar, you're twisting my words."

Police shoot man holding phone

Chicago Tribune

Chicago police responding to a domestic dispute Tuesday morning shot and killed a man after he refused to drop an object that turned out to be a cellphone, officials say.

Flint Farmer, 29, ran from a home in Englewood around 1:40 a.m. Tuesday when the officers identified themselves and ordered him to stop, police said in a statement.

Farmer then turned toward an officer, "pulled an object from his pocket, which the officer believed to be a handgun, and aggressively came at the officer," police said.

Farmer refused to drop the object and the officer, "fearing for his safety," fired at Farmer, police said.

Officers discovered that the object was a cellphone, according to law enforcement sources.

Farmer's father, Emmett Farmer, said his son was at the home of his girlfriend, who is the mother of Farmer's 2-year-old daughter, when they began fighting about the child.

The woman was bleeding from the brain, had swollen eyes, loose teeth and had a chunk of her hair pulled out, according to police.

Emmett Farmer was told police began chasing his son after he ran out of the woman's home. Flint Farmer ran out the back door and through a vacant lot to Wollcott, according to his father. The shooting occurred in the 6200 block of South Wollcott Avenue, police said.

"They [police] got scared. ... There's a lot going on, a lot of shooting, a lot of killing [in the area]," Farmer said. "They overreacted and killed my son."

Emanuel: Mob will be caught

Chicago Tribune

Mayor Emanuel on Tuesday didn't offer much on the weekend mob beatings and robberies along the lakefront, saying acting Police Supt. Garry McCarthy has addressed the issue.

The mayor, who was in Washington over the weekend with his family, said he spoke to McCarthy over the weekend and again Tuesday morning about the attacks.

"The new police superintendent already addressed this question and spoke to it," Emanuel said. "The police have already apprehended a number of youth and I reinforced to Superintendent McCarthy that I wanted to see, not just a number of youths, but every one of them brought to justice, in the sense that if they're responsible, that we go get them. Because, it's part of our reputation, but it's also part of our public safety."

My police superintendent has already spoken to this."

Some aldermen have said police need more resources to deal with the crowds and crime along the lakefront in the summer. Emanuel said he just added 500 police officers to the beat to address violent crime. Those beats, however, are not in the central business district, where the weekend incidents occurred.

"We aren't done as it relates to that," Emanuel said of redeploying officers. "One of the issues here as I understand it deals with social technology and communication, then there's the resource piece of it. I want a comprehensive approach. The No. 1 goal is deal with the youths who committed the crimes over the weekend and apprehend them. We're on our way to doing that."

Goose deal headed to City Council

Goose Island brewing company would get to sell beer and wine during concerts at Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park under a plan that will soon head to the City Council for approval.

Adler admission debate

Powerful Ald. Edward Burke (14th) on Tuesday called for a hearing on a proposal by the Adler Planetarium to raise admission fees by \$2, saying the Chicago Park District board should hear from the public first.

Chico has new gig

Gov. Quinn on Tuesday tapped former mayoral candidate Gery Chico to lead the Illinois State Board of Education, calling the former chairman of Chicago's public school system "a leader of distinction." TRIBUNE

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**Merkel party**

1 German Chancellor Angela Merkel received an official welcome to the White House on Tuesday in a ceremony marked by pomp and circumstance, a major honor for an ally who has differed sharply on key issues at times from her American counterparts. **GETTY IMAGES PHOTO**

Gadhafi stands firm

2 Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi vowed Tuesday that "we will not surrender," even as NATO airstrikes bombarded his compound in Tripoli.

'Naked' rescue

3 An Irish man known as "The Naked Adventurer" was rescued off the coast of western Australia during a failed attempt to row across the Indian Ocean.

Intel plant explosion

4 Seven workers at an Intel microchip manufacturing plant outside Phoenix were injured by an explosion at the facility Tuesday, and the building was immediately evacuated, fire officials said.

County bans grilling

5 Light up the grill for July 4 and get six months in jail under stringent new burn rules imposed by Guadalupe County, east of San Antonio, in response to a devastating and record-breaking drought.

"I wish there was some way I could defend him, but I can't."

—Sen. Harry Reid (D-Nev.) on Rep. Anthony Weiner (D-N.Y.), who admitted Monday to tweeting a lewd photo of himself. **GETTY IMAGES PHOTO**

A little help, please?

Look out, retailers. Americans are fed up with bad customer service, with 64 percent walking out of stores due to poor assistance and 67 percent hanging up on a call before their problems are even addressed, according to a new survey.

The most annoying gripe is not being able to get a person on the phone, followed by rude salespeople, according to findings from a Consumer Reports survey issued Tuesday.

The findings are based on a phone survey of 1,010 adults conducted in March.

Wal-Mart discount stores and Sam's Club members-only warehouse clubs were ranked by the magazine's subscribers among the worst in areas such as buying small appliances, electronics, cellphones and groceries.

Wal-Mart said its monthly surveys of more than 500,000 Wal-Mart customers and Sam's Club members show that people are pleased. The world's largest retailer, which has renewed its focus on offering low prices on a broad array of goods, said it is seeing its highest satisfaction scores in years.

MORE RESULTS

Here are how some of the other retailers fared in the Consumer Reports survey.

Best airplane staff
Southwest Airlines

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US Airways

Worst computer sales staff
Wal-Mart, Sam's Club and Costco

Worst computer tech support
Acer/Gateway/eMachines, Asus, Dell, HP/Compaq, Sony and Toshiba

**Where there's smoke ...**

6 Smoke from rises over Round Valley High School Stadium in Springerville, Ariz., on Tuesday. A stubborn wildfire in eastern Arizona that has forced as many as 3,000 people to vacate their homes flared out of control for a 10th day Tuesday. At midday, fire officials said the so-called Wallow Fire had charred more than 311,000 acres since it erupted May 29 and now ranks as the second-largest wildfire in Arizona's history. **REUTERS**

Major bummer for pot smokers

7 The Netherlands plans to ban foreigners from the country's famed pot shops, a decision Amsterdam's tourism industry hopes goes up in smoke.

The Dutch cabinet late last month said the measure was needed to "reduce nuisance and drugs tourism," arguing that "substance use of minors has to be countered more strongly and that coffee shops have grown into large points of sale of cannabis that are hard to manage."

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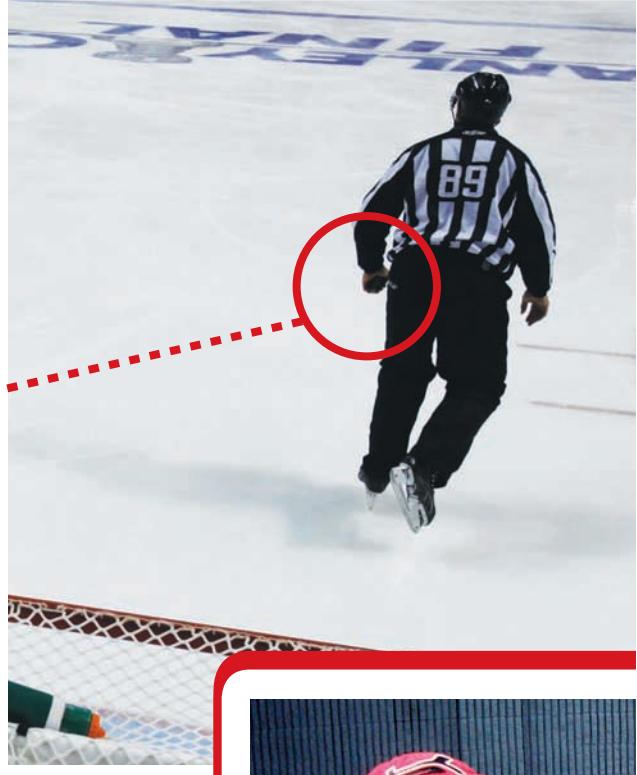


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This series of photos from Tribune photographer Brian Cassella shows linesman Steve Miller retrieving, then skating away with the winning puck at the end of the 2010 Stanley Cup finals. **BRIAN CASSELLA/TRIBUNE FILE PHOTOS**

Where's the puck?

New photos shed light on mystery of Blackhawks' Stanley Cup winner

Chicago Tribune

A year after Patrick Kane fired a shot into the goal in overtime to give the Blackhawks their first Stanley Cup championship since 1961, the game-winning puck still is missing.

The rubber disc hasn't been found since it was dug out of the net while the Blackhawks celebrated their victory over Philadelphia at the other end of the ice. An auction house says the sports collectible is worth at least six figures, and a Chicago sports collector is offering a \$50,000 reward for its return.

Images from the game showed veteran linesman Steve Miller looking at the puck after Kane's goal, but he has denied he touched it.

However, the Tribune last week located a series of photos among tens of millions of images in its archive that clearly show Miller picking up the puck with his right hand, shifting it to his left hand and skating away.

When shown the pictures in Boston, where he is officiating the Stanley Cup finals,

STANLEY CUP FINALS GAME 4

Boston vs. Vancouver, 7 p.m. Wednesday. Vs. Canucks lead series 2-1.

Miller said he didn't remember picking up the puck and doesn't know where it is.

"I pick up a thousand pucks a year," Miller told the Tribune. "... I can't remember every single thing I do with a puck."

Gary Meagher, the NHL's senior vice president for communications, said the league spoke with Miller about the incident several months ago and stands by his account.

"He didn't remember getting the puck," Meagher said. "... We all wish we knew where the puck was."

Miller said there were several things he may have done with the puck—throw it in a bucket with others, for example. But he said he simply can't recall.

"Pucks don't mean anything to me," Miller said. "So why would that puck mean anything to me?"

A Chicago police sergeant offered amateur video, taken from his seat in Philadelphia, that seemed to capture Miller picking up the

puck. Grant DePorter, owner of Harry Caray's restaurant, is offering a \$50,000 reward.

"Chicago is being robbed of a treasure," DePorter said.

DePorter has been aided in his search by FBI agents who have donated their time and efforts in the quest to solve the mystery.

Kane remembers the chaos on the ice and regrets no one from the Hawks thought to grab the puck for safekeeping. "You're thinking about going to lift the Cup," Kane said.

As the days pass, the puck's importance and potential worth are only increasing. It could fetch at least \$100,000, said Michael Heffner, president of the international auction house Lelands.

"As the legend becomes larger, so does the value," he said.

Miller said he understands the significance of the puck, but he just wants the questions to go away.

"I'm just moving on from this," Miller told the Tribune. "The best thing to do is move on from this situation." Fans in Chicago may disagree. **L.A. TIMES CONTRIBUTED**



Matt Cannon with the puck Patrick Kane signed for him

Kane eventually got a puck

Patrick Kane finally had in his hands the puck that had been used to score the game-winning goal and capture a championship.

No, not that puck.

Instead, Kane had what 10-year-old Matt Cannon of Tonawanda, N.Y., considers an equally important hockey artifact.

Matt sent Kane the puck he'd used to score the winning goal to give the Tonawanda Lightning a 3-1 victory over the Niagara Jr. Purple Eagles for the Western New York Amateur Hockey League squirt championship in March.

"He gave me his game-winning-goal puck just because I didn't have mine," said Kane, a native of Buffalo, N.Y.

Kane since has returned the puck to Matt, having signed it, "Congratulations on your goal, you should be proud—Patrick Kane 88." **TRIBUNE**

Strike 5

Five chances for you to get on this panel, and you whiffed. Audition for this page by answering questions at the address above.



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TOPIC	1 Help Adam Dunn stop striking out.	2 What can you tell everyone about the MLB draft?	3 Does Boston have a chance of beating Vancouver?	4 What would you do to limit hits to the head in hockey?	5 How does the 95-degree weather affect Chicago sports?
	Dear Adam: Tighten up already. Sorry for yelling. I'm sweating through my chinos here.	Get fired from a sitcom and it's XOXO, not KOKO. Duh, winning.	It's hopeless. Once the transformation from big donkey to jackass is complete, it's irreversible.	He seems to be doing just fine striking out on his own.	Change your walk-up music back to "In the Air Tonight" and you will "Turn the Page," Adam.
	Cubs fans: Your team drafted Gretzky's kid. So um, you've got that going for you, which is nice.	I wish it would come to Chicago. I'll take any draft at this point.	The White Sox drafted a few guys they'll trade for past-their-prime veterans. The Cubs? Who cares?	The Cubs drafted a player with a smart mouth and problems with plate discipline. He'll fit right in.	Having 12 of the first 89 picks this year, the Sox's should be called the Tampa Bay Rays draft.
	Yeah! I mean, when your goalie is laying people out there, anything is possible.	Yes. All of Vancouver's hits come from Sarah McLachlan.	Absolutely. Especially when you consider "Canucks" is Canadian for "gutless cowards."	If they can keep the biting to a minimum, yes.	It's a Luong(o) shot, but sure, anything is possible.
	I would make it more hardcore, actually. Like that old Mutant League Hockey game. I miss Sega Genesis.	Stick them lower, like most politicians.	Suspend the offending team's best player. Nobody gives a damn when some scrub is penalized.	Encourage more hits to the groin.	Sign Steelers linebacker James Harrison as an enforcer.
	Man, #itssohotthat Ozzie's sticking to sign language. Funny, he only seems to know the middle finger.	It's so hot that even Randy Wells came up dry.	Apparently it forces over-paid Venezuelan pitchers to act like spoiled brats.	It makes fans too lethargic to stab anyone.	One team gets hot while one player gets hot-headed. Right, Big Z?

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PITCH FEST

A look at baseball from both sides of town.

Should players rip their teammates?



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Carlos Zambrano is taking a lot of heat for blasting his team and the pitch selection of Carlos Marmol, whom Big Z did not mention by name Sunday.

But before we crucify Z, know the true situation is harder to pinpoint than the Marmol slider ex-Cub Ryan Theriot tattooed. Zambrano's rant could be as much an indictment of the coaching staff as of Marmol's pitch.

With scouting reports, former teammates' input, etc., would it have killed Cubs manager Mike Quade to visit the mound or call the pitches from the dugout? Fundamentals are just as much to blame as injuries for the Cubs looking like their Peoria counterparts this season.

Calling out your team for lacking passion, preparation or even dedication is OK so long as you lead with the word "we." Like my tee ball coach taught me when he showed me the proper hand to put my glove on: "there's no 'I' in team."

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In a perfect world, a player wouldn't have to call out his teammates, because his manager and GM would. But in an organization where the GM thinks this team will be "just fine" and the owner thinks the team's only problem is injuries, Carlos Zambrano was well within his rights to point out the emperor has no clothes.

One person this season—one—has deigned to tell the truth about just how bad this team is: Carlos Zambrano. He should be applauded. Cubs fans can't get the truth from the manager, or the GM, or the owner. If they had, Carlos' statements wouldn't be big news. The story isn't that Carlos threw his team under the bus, the story is in what stark contrast the truth stands to the company line.

Cubs fans have been begging for a leader to step up and speak the truth about this team. They just got one.

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» The White Sox wasted no time reverting to their pitching theme Tuesday by selecting Cal junior pitcher Erik Johnson with their second-round pick in the amateur draft. The Sox also selected pitchers in the third, fourth and fifth rounds.

» The Cubs selected high school first baseman Trevor Gretzky, son of NHL legend Wayne, in the seventh round of the amateur draft Tuesday. In the 11th round, they took center fielder Shawon Dunston Jr., whose father starred at shortstop for the Cubs during the late 1980s and the 1990s.

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Here's where to forget your fear of wacky summer weather. This Boystown vegetarian spot's patio holds 30 and is ready for anything with its large orange tent and removable windows. The flexible space is located behind the main restaurant and is accessible through the kitchen. If you see something you like while you're passing through, don't worry—the full menu and bar list are available outside.

Secret spots

Look closely behind your favorite spot

By Alex Benson

Tucked away behind buildings, shaded by trees, hidden under tents—some outdoor seating is so secluded that even loyal customers don't realize it's there. But when you find it, you're in on an awesome secret. Here are some hidden patios that are too good to keep to ourselves.



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The Logan Square hot spot has not one, but two outdoor dining spaces. Behind the restaurant is a small, intimate outdoor space offering a limited menu of beers, cocktails and wines. Tucked away behind the building, the space has a series of picnic benches with seating for 30. Just west of the restaurant is a slightly larger outdoor space full of smaller tables with chairs and benches. This leafy patio (thanks to trees that sandwich the space) seats 40 and features a full-service outdoor cafe.



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The Bucktown restaurant's rustic inside continues outdoors on the secluded patio. The outside area—which seats just 24—lets you get in touch with nature thanks to flowers, birch trees and an herb garden. The features aren't just for show: Birchwood Kitchen uses herbs from the garden in many of its dishes. If the hot sun is too much, umbrellas are available for shade and basil lemonade is on hand to stave off the heat.

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Just like its classy collection of wines, 694 Wine has an equally sleek outdoor space. The River West spot's 30-seat patio features a burgundy-stained wood deck and wicker chairs that are perfect for watching the sunset. The space also has gardens with herbs and tomatoes that are used in many dishes on the menu, which is available indoors and out.



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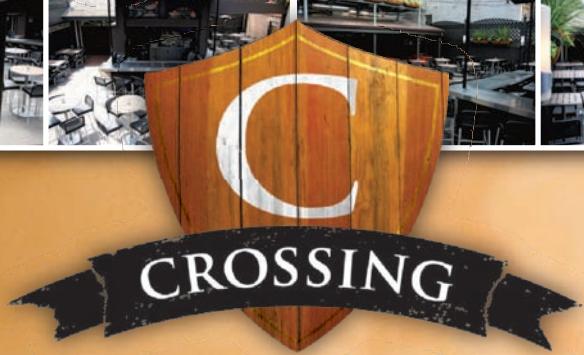
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3:00pm TANGLEWOOD

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This week:
Do you like those fruity, seasonal summer beers?



here. When it's hot out, you don't just want to get clocked out, but you want to be refreshed while you do it. Drink one (or seven) and say ahh like Trey Songz. Fruity summer beers are a great thing and a summer tradition, like paying too much for food at festivals or that one girl on the train who doesn't have shoes on.

—ERNEST WILKINS

YES

I like fruit. I like beer. This may shock you, but putting them together usually results in straight-up deliciousness. Let's not play games



NO

If I don't like fruity beers in the winter, why would I suddenly like them just because it's June? When the thermometer hits 80 degrees, the only adjective that needs to precede my beer is "cold." Sure, I enjoy the occasional alcohol-spiked fruit slushie poolside, and I'm not saying every fruit-tinged brew is as cringe-worthy as [insert any lime domestic beer here], but I like my beer to taste like beer. —DANA KAVAN

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

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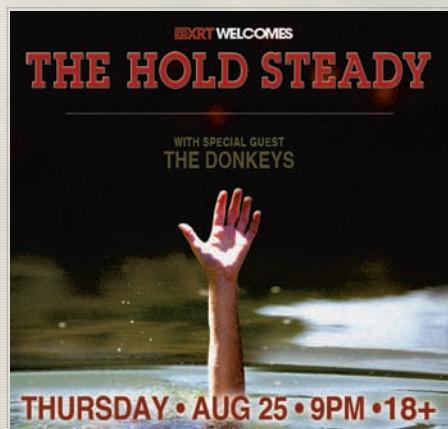
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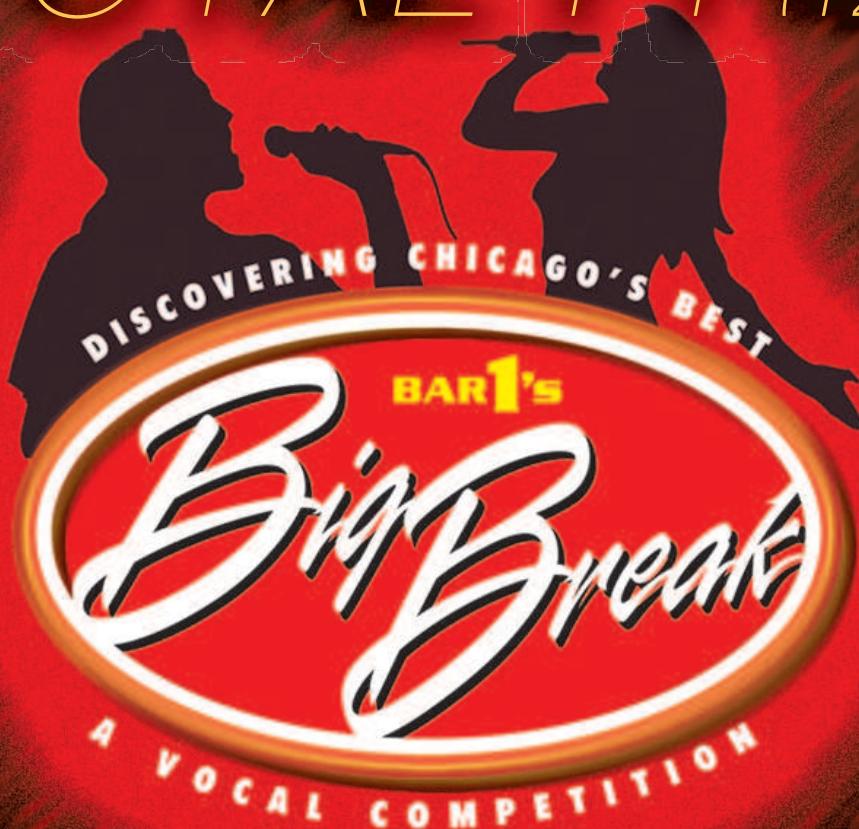
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■ Kung Fu Panda 2 3D (PG) 1:00,3:20,5:40,7:50,10:05
■ The Hangover Part II (R) 1:10,2:20,3:45,5:25,6:30,8:00,9:05,10:35
■ Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides (PG-13) 1:15,4:15,7:25
■ Fast Five (PG-13) 10:25 P.M.
■ X-Men: First Class (PG-13) 1:05,4:10,7:15,10:15
■ X-Men: First Class (PG-13) 2:10,5:15,8:20
■ Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D (PG-13) 1:45,4:55,8:05

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■ Everything Must Go (R) 9:45
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■ The Tree of Life (PG-13) 1:00,2:15,2:45,3:15,4:15,5:30,6:15,7:00,7:45,8:45,10:00

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■ Thor (PG-13) 12:10,6:10
■ Thor 3D (PG-13) 3:00,9:10
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■ Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG) 11:50,2:30,5:30,7:55,10:25
■ Kung Fu Panda 2 3D (PG) 12:45,3:30,6:00,8:30,10:55
■ X-Men: First Class (PG-13) 12:00,12:30,1:00,3:10,3:45,4:15,6:30,7:00,7:30,9:45,10:15
■ X-Men: First Class (PG-13) 1:30,4:45,8:05,11:15
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■ X-Men: First Class (PG-13) ★ 4:00,7:10,9:45
■ The Hangover Part II (R) ★ 5:30,7:45,10:00
■ Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG) ★ 5:00,7:00,9:00
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■ Thor 3D (PG-13) 11:20,5:00,10:30
■ Kung Fu Panda 2 3D (PG) 10:25,12:40,3:05,5:30,7:55,10:05
■ Priest (PG-13) 11:00,1:10,3:20,5:40,8:00,10:10
■ Thor (PG-13) 2:20,7:40
■ Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG) 11:25,1:00,1:30,3:20,4:25,5:50,7:55,10:05
■ The Hangover Part II (R) 10:50,12:05,1:40,2:45,4:10,5:25,7:00,8:05,9:40,10:45
■ Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides (PG-13) 1:25,4:40,7:05,10:20
■ Fast Five (PG-13) 10:35,1:45,4:45,7:45,7:45
■ Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family (PG-13) 1:55,7:10
■ X-Men: First Class (PG-13) 10:20,11:10,1:25,2:10,4:30,5:10,7:30,8:20,9:40
■ X-Men: First Class (PG-13) 1:20,11:10,1:25,2:10,4:30,5:10,7:30,8:20,9:40
■ Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D (PG-13) 10:40,2:00,5:20,8:30
■ Jumping the Broom (PG-13) 10:55,4:35,9:55

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■ Battle of Brooklyn (NR) 6:00 P.M.
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■ Tears Cannot Restore Her: Therefore I Weep (NR)

LOGAN THEATRE

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■ Fast Five (PG-13) 11:20,2:00,4:30,7:00,9:55
■ Thor (PG-13) 11:10,1:20,3:30,5:40,7:50,10:00
■ Hesher (R) 11:40,1:40,3:40,5:45,7:45,9:45
■ Hanna (PG-13) 1:00,5:10,9:30
■ Source Code (PG-13) 11:00,3:10,7:30
■ Megamind (PG) 10:00 A.M.

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■ L'amour fou (NR) 5:30,7:40,9:50
■ 13 Assassins (R) 7:00,9:40
■ Bill Cunningham New York (NR) 5:00 P.M.

RIVER EAST 21 (AMC)

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■ Source Code (PG-13) 11:30,5:35,11:05
■ Bridesmaids (R) 11:25,2:30,5:30,8:35
■ Bridesmaids (R) ★ 10:20,1:30,4:35,7:30,10:30
■ Kung Fu Panda 2 3D (PG) ★ 11:35,2:05,4:40,7:00,9:50
■ AMC Independent YellowBrickRoad (R) ★ 10:00 P.M.
■ AMC Independent Midnight in Paris (PG-13) ★ 10:25,12:40,3:15,5:45,6:05,10:40
■ AMC Independent Cave of Forgotten Dreams 3D (G) 10:35,12:30,3:20,5:25,6:10,8:10,10:25
■ Priest (PG-13) 11:10,1:10 P.M.
■ Thor (PG-13) 11:10,2:15,5:20,8:05,10:50
■ Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG) 10:30,1:05,3:30,6:05,8:35
■ The Hangover Part II (R) 11:45,12:15,2:30,3:00,5:15,5:45,8:00,8:30,10:45
■ Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides (PG-13) 10:10,1:35,4:45,7:55
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■ Fast Five (PG-13) 11:50,2:20,5:50,5:50,8:55
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■ Priest (PG-13) 12:45,2:55,5:10,7:35,10:35
■ Thor (PG-13) 4:10,9:30
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■ Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG) 4:00,8:35
■ The Hangover Part II (R) 2:00,4:40,7:15,9:50
■ X-Men: First Class (PG-13) 4:10,9:30,10:45
■ Jumping the Broom (PG-13) 2:10,5:25,7:30,10:45

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■ Thor 3D (PG-13) 1:25,6:50
■ Kung Fu Panda 2 3D (PG) ★ 1:00,1:45,3:15,5:30,6:15,7:45,10:00,10:50
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■ Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D (PG-13) 2:15,5:25,8:30
■ Jumping the Broom (PG-13) 1:15,4:05,7:05,9:45

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■ Bridesmaids (R) 11:10,2:00,4:50,7:35,10:30

■ Thor 3D (PG-13) 2:05,7:25
■ Kung Fu Panda 2 3D (PG) ★ 11:40,1:45,5:14,10:25,8:40
■ Thor (PG-13) 1:10,3:45,10:10
■ Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG) 11:30,2:10,4:45,7:20,9:50
■ The Hangover Part II (R) 1:20,21,11:00,1:10,1:40,4:40,6:50,7:30,9:40,10:20
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■ Bridesmaids (R) ★ 11:15,2:20,3:45,5:20,6:35,8:20,9:35

■ Cave of Forgotten Dreams 3D (G) 10:40,12:55,15:55,25,7:45,10:00
■ How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 10:00 A.M.,
■ Kung Fu Panda 2



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Wed.: half-price bottles of wine with entree purchase; Thu.: \$22 three-course dinner 4 p.m.; 4729 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-989-5595.

DUCHAMP
Sun.: half-price bottles of wine; 2118 N. Damen Ave. 773-235-6434.

ERWIN
Wed.-Sun.: \$18 three-course dinner. Entrees change daily and include meatloaf, fried

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Wed., Thu., Sun.: half-price margaritas and select bottles of wine; 1235 W. Grand Ave. 312-421-2000.

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Wed.: half-price oysters 10:30 p.m.-midnight; 531 N. Wells St. 312-929-3501.

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Wed.-Thu.: \$2-\$5 happy-hour food menu 4:30-6 p.m. and 9:30-11 p.m.; 210 E. Ohio St. 312-266-8929.

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wine with purchase of two entrees; 400 N. Wells St. 312-822-0191.

LA SALUMERIA DEL MERLO

Wed.: \$25 three-course meal. Includes a choice of appetizer, entree and dessert before or after a theater performance; 2638 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-529-0747.

*** PRAIRIE FIRE**

6 p.m. Wed.: World Ocean Day dinner. Chefs Sarah Stegner and George Bumbaris prepare a four-course dinner with sustainable seafood and wine and cocktail pairings. Also features raffles and

presentations by representatives of the Shedd Aquarium and Great Lakes Conservation; \$100; 215 N. Clinton St. 312-382-8300.

*** RHAPSODY**

11 a.m. Sun.: Dining for Wishes. Chef Dean Zanella prepares a benefit brunch buffet including Italian doughnuts, roasted ham, smoked trout salad, artichoke and provolone ravioli, prosciutto and fontina cheese panini, poached eggs and blueberry pancakes; \$25 suggested donation; 65 E. Adams St. 312-786-9911.

SAIGON SISTERS

Wed.-Thu.: \$25 three-course dinner with \$15 beverage pairings; Wed.-Sat.: \$35 four-course tasting with \$25 beverage pairings (5-10 p.m.); 567 W. Lake St. 312-496-0090.

TAXIM

Wed.-Thu., Sun.: \$10 wine flights; 1558 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-252-1558.

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Michael Harrison Berg (seated, right) and Van Ghost

Who you gonna call?

Put alt-country outfit Van Ghost down for 'Ghostbusters 3'

By Andy Downing

Since debuting in 2008 with a show at a packed Metro, melodic alt-country upstarts Van Ghost have steadily built up a live following. During a recent performance at the Summer Camp Music Festival in Chillicothe, Ill., singer-songwriter Michael Harrison Berg, 33, estimates the band drew a crowd of more than 500 people for an afternoon set of dreamy, meticulously crafted country-pop tunes such as "Wednesday," a song so pretty it makes the middle of the week seem almost bearable.

Reached at home in Ukrainian Village, concert promoter Berg discussed his transition from behind-the-scenes guy to frontman, the stigma behind jam bands and whether he believes in ghosts.

How was your Memorial Day weekend at the Summer Camp Festival?

Wildly successful. We got into some cool grooves and had people dancing pretty hard. It was a really good vibe. We did a cover of the Allman Brothers' ["Soulshine"] to end our second set and the whole crowd was singing along. We've been blessed to be embraced by the festival/jam band community.

Some people think of the term "jam band" as a dirty word. Is it a genre you ever worry about being associated with?

I'm a jam band promoter, so I have nothing against them, but I agree with you that there is a stigma that goes along with that. As an artist you're never going to put any limitations on what type of people enjoy your music. It's a blessing no matter where it comes from. It means someone gets where you're coming from and gets what you're doing.

Did you ever do the whole summer camp thing as a kid?

Yeah, I went to overnight and day camp. That was a long time ago, but I have fond memories of it for sure. There were

things that the festival brought in that added that summer camp kind of vibe. There was a 5:30 a.m. kickball game with hundreds of people. It was just a special event.

Your debut was called "Melodies for Lovers." Do you have a favorite love song?

"Something" by the Beatles. I think that's the greatest love song I've ever heard, but there really aren't many love songs on that record.

What's the status of the new record?

It is probably going to come out in early September. We're going to perform at the North Coast Music Fest here in Chicago and we hope to release it right around then. We are really proud of it.

Was it strange for you to go from a behind-the-scenes type guy to center stage?

Not really. I come from a musical family where my mother is a music teacher and my grandfather is a professional pianist. I

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Michael Harrison Berg PERSONALITY TEST

What's the last album you bought?

"I definitely download a lot of music. I really buy singles on iTunes, to be honest."

Song you've listened to on repeat recently?

"'Machu Picchu' off the new Strokes record has been my go-to track."

Song you never want to hear again?

"Wow. There's a lot of them. That 'Friday' song by Rebecca Black."

Best concert you've seen in the last year?

"Not even a question about it: the last LCD Soundsystem show at Madison Square Garden."

New band you don't know personally that deserves to be big?

"There's a band from San Francisco called Big Light and I wish them all the luck."

Favorite movie ever?

"That would have to be 'Rushmore.' It's just about figuring out what you love to do in life and making your life all about it, and that's honestly what I'm trying to do."

Chicago's best music venue?

"That depends on the type of music. If I had to pick one place over all of them, it would be Park West."

moved out to Colorado and lived there for a few years, and then when I came back to Chicago all my friends were musicians and doing things, and it started as, "Hey, can you help get some people out to our shows?" The next thing I knew I was the one setting up the shows. It's a benefit for me to understand the business side of the industry, but the artistic side is definitely where my heart is.

Do you believe in ghosts?

Kind of. I mean, I believe in spirits, that's for sure.

One of the rumors going around is that

"Ghostbusters 3" is going to film in Chicago.

What kind of role do you see for Van Ghost?

[Laughs] Maybe just having a song on the soundtrack. Man, that would be amazing!

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5. Bootsy Collins

8 p.m. Fri. at Congress Theater
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New releases



Arctic Monkeys

"Suck It and See"

(Domino)

What a treat it's been to listen as Arctic Monkeys, those clever Brits

who haven't made a bad album yet (though "Humbug" doesn't stick as much as the others), have grown from cocky to confident, ruthless to vulnerable.

"Suck It and See" is the band's biggest stylistic step forward since its remarkable debut, "Whatever People Say I Am, That's What I'm Not," a result of more restrained songwriting and some of singer Alex Turner's most bittersweet, descriptive lyrics—more interested in kisses than kiss-offs. (One favorite, from "Reckless Serenade": "The type of kisses where teeth collide/ when she laughs the heavens hum a stun-gun lullaby.")

The band also makes new territory its own (the infectious, sweet "The Hellcat Spangled Shalalala"), and not every track ("Brick by Brick") reaches equal lyrical heights. Yet Arctic Monkeys continue to deliver songs, and records, that stand apart from each other while forming a cohesive whole. In the case of "Suck It and See," it's a rock album that recognizes love's many traps but still asks, "Hey, why not give it a try?"

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7 p.m. \$25, etix.com. Riviera Theatre, 4746 N. Racine Ave. 800-514-3849.

Neon Trees

It's not possible to get that song "Animal" out of your head, and what's wrong with that? Confession: First time I heard this, I thought it was Julian Casablancas. With The Limousines, Eastern Conference Champions.

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6 p.m. Sold out. Jay Pritzker Pavilion, Millennium Park, 201 E. Randolph St.

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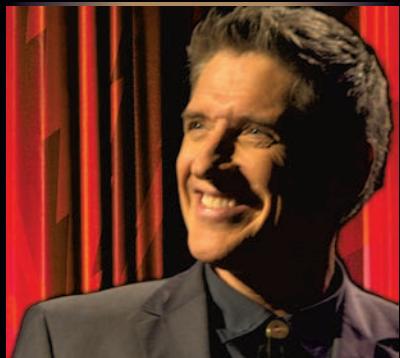
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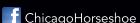
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Bryan Ferry, Tuesday,

Oct. 11 (\$47-\$102, all ages) at Civic Opera House.

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Dntel, The One AM Radio, Geotic, Friday, Aug. 12 (\$12, 18+) at Lincoln Hall.

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Blink 182, My Chemical Romance, Manchester Orchestra, Saturday, Aug. 20 (\$10.50-\$63, all ages) at First Midwest Bank Amphitheatre.

Marc Broussard, Scars of 45, Chic Gamine, Saturday, Sept. 10 (\$20, 18+) at Park West.

Opeth, Katatonia, Friday, Oct. 28 (\$29.50, all ages) at Vic Theatre.

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SATURDAY**

Gary Burton, Sunday, Oct. 2 (\$25-\$48, all ages) at Space.

Dr. John and Lower 911, Sunday, Sept. 4 (\$30-\$48, all ages) at Space.

Farewell Drifters, Jessica Robbins, Tuesday, Aug. 9 (\$10-\$18, all ages) at Space.

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Janis Ian, Friday, Sept. 9 (\$25-\$40, all ages) at Space.

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*** Battles**, Friday, Oct. 7 (\$20, 18+) at Vic Theatre.

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Chicago comedian Adam Guerino co-hosts Friday's Pride Comedy Show.

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Cult classics meet glam rock in Scooty & JoJo Productions' musical parody tribute to the "Alien" films, set to songs by the rock band Queen. Also features an onstage band, pre-show burlesque and performance art entertainment by Battlestar Fantastica.

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Pride Comedy Show

Chicago comedians Adam Guerino and Ever Mainard host big gay fun with stand-up sets by New York headliner Chris Doucette, local fave Bill Cruz, and emerging comics Meredith Kachel and Matteo Lane, who got their starts at Guerino's weekly "Laugh Track" showcase.

See it: Friday; Mary's Attic, 5400 N. Clark St.

Tickets: \$5; 773-784-6969; hamburgermarys.com/chicago/events.php

'Sex With GayCo'

GayCo Productions serves up two one-night stands of "greatest hits" comedy from their 15-year history, which includes racy sketches about three-ways, geek fantasies, lesbian-hosted sex education and more.

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'The Homosexuals'

About Face Theatre premieres Chicago playwright Philip Dawkins' dramedy about a young gay man whose life is unexpectedly changed by friends he meets on his first night in a new town.

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'Bab Fab: The Barbra Streisand Celebration'

You'll have a gay old time at Three Cat Productions' fourth annual cabaret tribute in which 14 actors perform La Streisand's

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See it: Monday; Theater Wit, 1229 W. Belmont Ave.

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See it: June 16-18; Center on Halsted, 3656 N. Halsted St.

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Expect the unexpected at this annual prose and spoken word reading, hosted by local poet Cin Salach—past subjects have ranged from confused, adolescent male Doris Day crushes to leather dyke adventures gone awry. Got a short-short story (300 words max) or poem (one double-spaced page) to share? Call ahead to reserve your spot.

See it: June 22; Women & Children First, 5233 N. Clark St.

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Vegetables, particularly those with a bit of bitterness such as asparagus and arugula, are well-suited to sake. "Any sake that's not too fruity has an earthiness in the background that goes with that bitterness you find in some vegetables," said John Gauntner, a certified master of sake tasting.

Chef Takashi Yagihashi braises pork belly with sake, water and ginger, but he doesn't reduce the sake, as he would with braises using beer or wine.

Sake and asparagus
BILL HOGAN/TRIBUNE



Surprising sake

Tribune Newspapers

Admit it: you haven't had a glass of sake in ages. And we bet we know why. It's because you're thinking that you should drink it only with Japanese food. Well, think again.

"People think that with sake, you have to eat Japanese, you have to be authentic," said John Gauntner, who has written five books on sake and is a certified master of sake tasting, "but they need to get over that and think about just pairing sake with food in general."

As long as foods are not overly spicy or rich, Gauntner said, sake can be a terrific accompaniment. Meats, fish, even pastas can all benefit from a sake pairing.

"I love pastas with cream sauces and maybe a little bacon," he said, "because the acid cuts right through the cream, and the sweetness of the sake counterbalances the saltiness of the bacon."

While the heavy saucing of much American

barbecue can overpower most sakes, simple grilled meats work particularly well. "Smoky things go very well with sake," said Takashi Yagihashi, chef-owner of Takashi in Chicago and author of "Takashi's Noodles," "anything that's cooked over an open fire."

Yagihashi points out that sake is aged in cedar casks, making it a natural companion to wood or charcoal grilled items. Further, although Japanese cuisine is not known for heavily smoked foods like some other cuisines, Yagihashi notes that dashi, the Japanese stock that serves as the base of miso soup, has as its primary ingredient flakes of dried, smoked tuna called bonito.

Regardless of the food, Gauntner believes the key to pairing sake is an open mind and a willingness to experiment. "I know it's a cliché," he said, "but, it's not rocket science. If people can understand that, the whole thing is much more approachable."

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Dogs play in Skinner Park on the near West Side. E.JASON WAMBSGANS/TRIBUNE FILE

Know the rules of the dog park

Chicago Tribune

Dog parks provide an opportunity for a pet to get some exercise and to socialize. Same goes for the pet owner. But there are rules and conventions that you and little Spanky need to follow.

We checked with Marc Morrone, host of "Petkeeping with Marc Morrone" on the Hallmark Channel, to discuss dog parks and what pet owners should consider. Here are some rules to remember and potential issues to watch out for.

Know your dog: Don't introduce an unsocialized or frightened pet into a dog park situation. A dog that bullies or is aggressive or skittish is not a good playmate. So know your dog and his temperament.

And even if you know your dog thoroughly and he's a perfect gentleman, you still need to be on the alert.

"If your dog is playing with another dog and you know your dog is playing and they're having fun, but the owner of the other dog thinks it's too rough, then call it off," Morrone said. "You're never going to educate the other owner to think that that play is not too rough."

Follow the rules: Before your first trip to the park, talk to others who frequent it, learn the rules and the protocols, and make sure

your dog has all his shots.

Treats: When Spanky is busy romping and stomping with his playmates, he may not be interested in responding to your call. But if you have a supply of treats, you can call the dog and reward him throughout your visit; he'll associate coming over to you with food. Then when it's time to go, he'll come over and you can put on his leash without having to get help from other dog owners.

Morrone also advises against giving another dog a treat unless its owner gives you an OK. "It's like kids. Some are allergic to this, some are allergic to that, so many are on special diets these days."

Hydration: Running around like a maniac is hard work. Be sure your dog has plenty of water.

Clean up: Be responsible. Bring a bag. Use it.

Social hour: You can have the best behaved dog in the world and be the most charming person on Earth, but there can still be friction.

"It's like in prison," Morrone said. "You follow the clique or you confront it and bring it down. Every dog park will have a know-it-all, somebody who knows all about dogs. Then a group who follows them."

His suggestion? Go with the flow and don't rock the boat.

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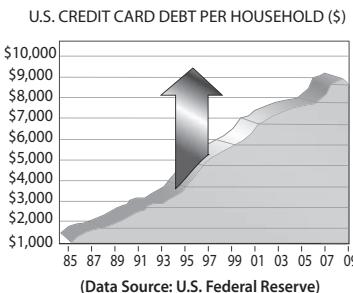
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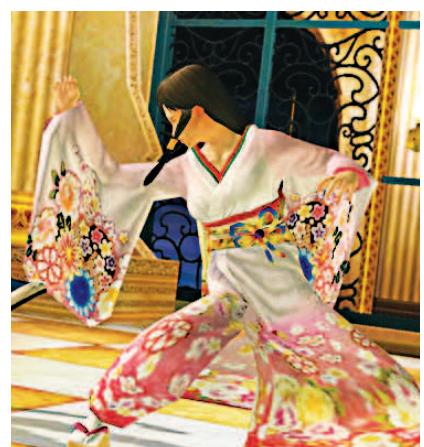
Two country singers made it to the "American Idol" finale this season, so someone out there must be digging country music, right? For those who do, tune in as Kid Rock returns to host the 10th edition of this awards show. You will hear Lady Antebellum, Keith Urban and Sugarland. You might even spot Justin Bieber; he's a nominee for his collabo with Rascal Flatts on "That Should Be Me." CURT WAGNER, REDEYE



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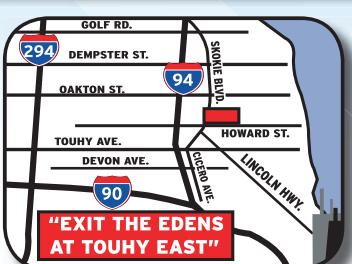
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Taking the workout to the back of the body

Reuters

Crunches, curls and sit-ups may be standard workout fare in gyms, basements and living rooms across the land.

But the authors of a new book suggest people get plenty of that movement already. They say to get a really strong midsection, the back of the body needs to be worked.

"Sitting at desks, working on computers, waiting in traffic, we are continually contracting our abs, throwing our shoulders forward and, ultimately, shutting down the back of the body," said Dr. Eric Goodman, co-author with Peter Park of "Foundation: Redefine Your Core, Conquer Back Pain, and Move with Confidence."

Goodman, a chiropractor based in Santa Barbara, Calif., went on to say, "If we're going to keep our posture and our spines strong, it has to be done by exercising the back of the body as the core of the body."

The exercises illustrated in the book require no machines or equipment and take the spine as the body's center of stability. In the signature, or founder exercise, knees are bent over ankles, the body hinges from the hip joint, and movement originates in the pelvis, hips and hip joints.

"You're sticking your butt out on everything," explained Park, a trainer and owner of Platinum Fitness gyms. "We're aiming for the posterior chain."

Park is cycling great Lance Armstrong's strength and conditioning coach. The seven-

time Tour de France winner wrote the foreword for the book.

"Lance needed it more than anybody," Park said of the workout. "It opened him up. [With his] rounded back, rounded shoulders, he almost looked funny off the bike."

The exercises are designed to augment, rather than replace, a regular fitness regime, Goodman said.

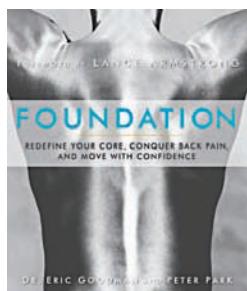
"We don't want people to stop doing yoga or Pilates. If you're currently doing cardio or other training, just add foundation to it," Goodman said. "If you're doing it properly, 20 minutes is plenty. It's hard."

Neal Pire, spokesman for the American College of Sports Medicine, said the concept of "hinging"—or loading the posterior chain while maintaining neutral spine—is mainstream, but he's never seen a book devoted entirely to it.

"Extension is key, because we do indeed live in a flexed state," Pire said, adding that if the public perception is that abs are the core, the public is mistaken. "The core involves two sets of muscles: deep muscles whose roles are primarily stabilizing the spine, or more generally the trunk, and shallower muscles whose primary role is movement."

Goodman advocates a four-to-one ratio of back-to-front training.

"For every four exercises you do for the back of the body, you get to do one for the front. I think that's the opposite of what most people are doing."



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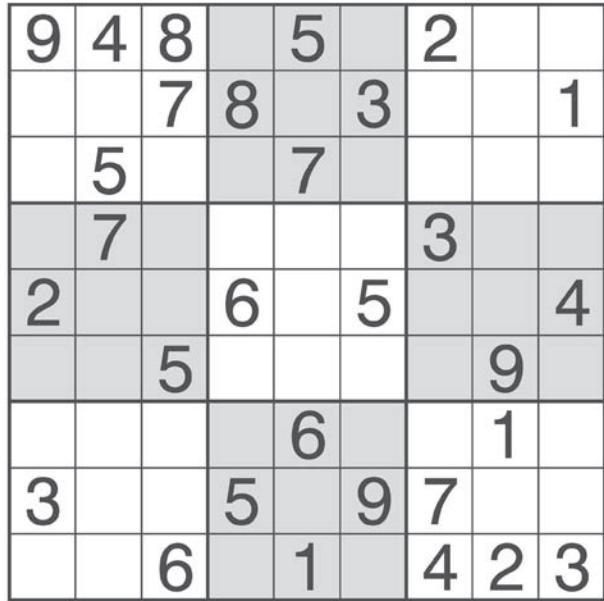


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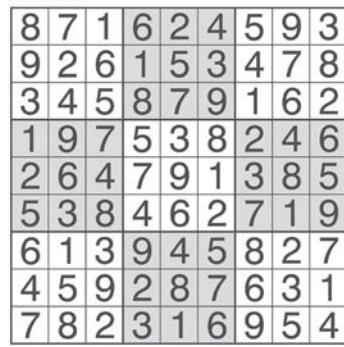


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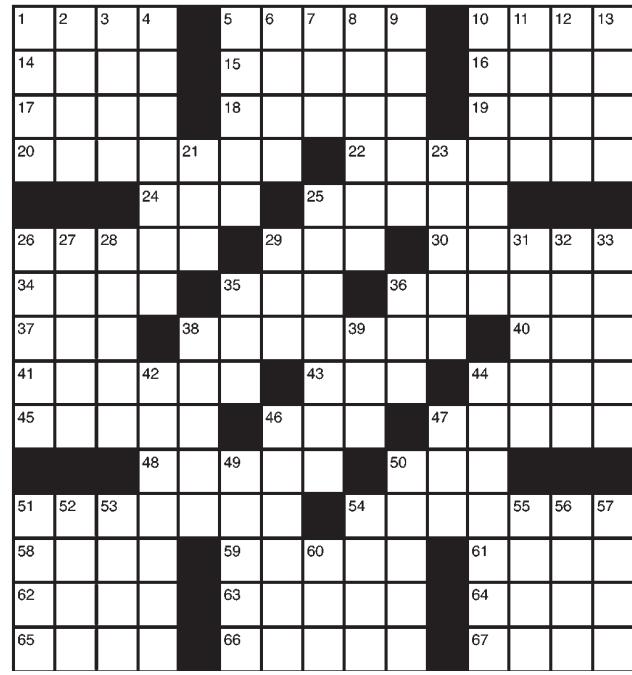
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64 Plant part
65 Majority
66 Robins' homes
67 Painter's cover

DOWN
1 Grizzly or polar



2 Talk wildly
3 Fleur-de-lis
4 Salad veggies
5 Approximately
6 Small rodents
7 St. Joan of __
8 Short and thick
9 Bush
10 Inner __; sacred refuge
11 Provo's state
12 Manufactured
13 TV's " __ Trek"
21 Small amount
23 Currently

25 So-called
26 Dopey or Doc
27 One who gets his feet wet
28 Deteriorate
29 On a __ with; equal to
31 Plank
32 Burr or Spelling
33 Bumbling
35 __-squeak; twerp
36 Underhanded
38 Pretended
39 Enjoyment
42 Liza Minnelli musical

44 Liberace or Billy Joel
46 __ clef;
musical symbol
47 Actor Aykroyd
49 Straighten
50 Taps a baseball
51 Mine car
52 City in Nevada
53 Gobbles up
54 Daring deed
55 Scintilla; mite
56 Pitcher
57 Freeway exit
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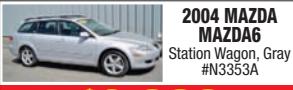
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Guests of honor?

Are recent celebrity cameos upgrades or downgrades for the stars?

By Ariel Alexovich | REDEYE

Who needs a career boost? Some free press? A paycheck? Then, Mr. or Ms. Celebrity, you need to make a cameo. Yep, for mere minutes of your time, you can lend your image to a movie/TV show/music video and bask in the glow of your name trending a little higher on Google. But not all cameos are created equal. Here's our take on whether some recent guest appearances have been upgrades or downgrades for the star involved.

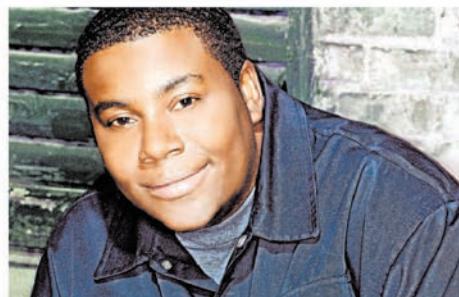
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Katy Perry's "Last Friday Night (T.G.I.F.)" video

Context: The teaser for Katy Perry's new '90s-themed video (premiering June 14) leads us to believe the silken-haired brothers will be in it. Their drumset is visible in the background, plus Perry's geeky video alter ego, Kathy Beth Terry, is their Facebook fan.



Kenan Thompson

"iParty with Victorious," a Nickelodeon TV movie

Context: For all the non-tweens out there, this is a TV movie that merges the casts of popular Nick shows "iCarly" and "Victorious." Thompson—a Nick alum—plays himself and hosts a party for the tweens.

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Johnny Depp

"21 Jump Street" (the movie)

Context: Yep, Depp confirmed to MTV that he's momentarily in the Jonah Hill/Channing

Tatum film reboot of "21 Jump Street," the '80s TV show that launched Depp's cheekbones to teen ideldom.



Hugh Jackman

Spoiler alert: "X-Men: First Class"

Context: Wolverine isn't supposed to be in this franchise reboot, but he (and a certain former Mystique actress) makes a brief, expletive-shouting cameo in a bar when Professor X and Magneto are on the hunt for mutants.



Josh Duhamel

"All My Children"

Context: In August, the chiseled actor will return to Pine Valley, Pa., the fictional setting of the soap that gave him his start in showbiz. We're still not sure how his Leo du Pres character was able to survive that waterfall tumble.

from "Transformers"

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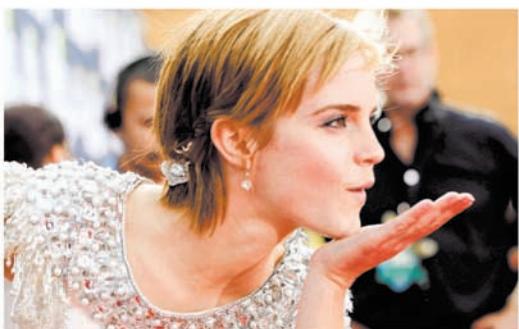
J-Hud's secrets

Book it. Jennifer Hudson (right) is set to put her weight-loss secrets down on paper next year, with a book about her transformation due in January, USA Today reports. The publisher noted that the book is a memoir but will focus only on Hudson's weight loss, not the murder of her mother, brother and nephew two years ago. GETTY IMAGES FILE PHOTO



"Emma Frost's THREE mutant powers: Telepathy, Transformation to Solid Diamond and last but not least, Sucking at Acting."

— "Lost" co-creator Damon Lindelof's tweet on **January Jones'** (left) performance in "X-Men: First Class"



Watson weighs in

Emma Watson wants to make it clear: She was not bullied at Brown University. "It made me so sad when all this stuff came out that I left Brown because I was being bullied," the "Harry Potter" star told The Sunday Times. "It made no sense at all. ... I threw a party for nearly 100 students and not a single person put a photo on Facebook."



Kardashian

Peekaboo! When does a nip slip cease to be a nip slip? It's probably safe to say Khloe Kardashian crossed that barrier Tuesday during an appearance on "Fox and Friends" when her blouse shifted and left her lady part exposed through sheer fabric for six minutes. Six minutes! Talk about a memorable cameo.

Reality romance

Are you looking for a shot at love? Or maybe just a shot at infamy? Either way, they're casting both guys and dolls for the next "Bachelor" reality show at Rockit Wrigleyville from 5-9 p.m. Thursday. Visit thebachelor.warnerbros.com/casting for all the details.



Weiner

Cosmo boy?

Disgraced U.S. Congressman Anthony Weiner has made magazines for more than just his online dalliances. Cosmopolitan this week revisited a 1996 spread featuring Weiner as one of its 101 real-life bachelors. "We named him a Cosmo bachelor and clearly he should have stayed one," current editor Kate White says. "No smart, successful woman wants to be married to an amateur like that." Zing!



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That's how much "Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides" cruised past Monday worldwide, putting it on pace to become the highest-grossing film of the franchise.

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Caribbean king

Which "Pirates" film has grossed the most worldwide? Text "most" followed by the number preceding your answer to **87708**. We'll let you know if you got the answer correct.

1. "The Curse of the Black Pearl"
2. "Dead Man's Chest"
3. "At World's End"